

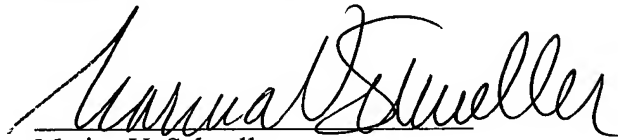
REMARKS

Reconsideration of the outstanding Office Action is respectfully solicited.

The case appears to be in condition for allowance. Claim 17, which is the only rejected claim, has been canceled. Claims 1-16 were held to be allowed.

An early allowance are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Marina V. Schneller', written over a horizontal line.

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